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KVP Trains

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following KVP trains [redacted] between 26 and 30 May 1953:

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26	Oranienburg	Gross-Doelln
28	Halle railroad district	Wildpark
30	Gross Doelln	Oranienburg
	Vogelsang	Oranienburg
	Treuenbrietzen	Storkow

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2. On 13 June, a VP train of 1 boxcar and 13 flatcars, [redacted] was identified [redacted] The train went from Kirchmoeser to Wildpark and carried VP personnel, 4 T-34 tanks and 18 SP guns.³

3. On 7 June, a VP train of 20 coaches and 10 boxcars was observed at the Muellrose railroad station. The train came from the Greifswald railroad district and went to Storkow.⁴

25X1 1. Comment. Gross-Doelln and Vogelsang are located in the area of the Templin
25X1A Soviet troop training grounds. The KVP stationed in Oranienburg probably moved to this
troop training grounds for firing practice with live ammunition.

25X1A 2. Comment. These VP trains were previously reported

25X1 3. [redacted] Comment. The train probably carried repaired Soviet tanks which were handed over to the KVP cadre division stationed in Potsdam. In April and May 1953, the unit was transferred from Torgau to Potsdam. It probably is directly subordinate to the Ministry of Interior. Other shipments of repaired Soviet tanks from Kirchmoeser to a similar cadre unit subordinate to the Ministry of Interior in Oranienburg were previously reported. These observations definitely indicate that the KVP has recently been equipped with tanks which were supplied by Soviet units and repaired in East Germany. [redacted]

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25X1 4. Comment. On 30 May 1953, a VP train probably also from the Greifswald railroad district went to Storkow via Werbig. As KVP engineers and a KVP engineer depot are stationed in the Storkow-Kuechensee area, the VP train on 7 June 1953 probably carried an engineer unit.

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